Phase II and Phase III Project Cover Sheet

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REPORT INFORMATION:

2006 Kreisa, P., M. Gill, and J.M. McDowell

Phase I Archaeological Survey of the Villages of Savannah, Prince George's County,

Marvland.

Submitted to the Mid-Atlantic Companies

Library ID No: 97003176 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 441

Sites examined:

18PR831 18PR833 18PR834 18PR835

NRHP Eligible: N NRHP Eligible: N NRHP Eligible: N NRHP Eligible: N

Justification

6110 Frost Place Laurel, MD 20707

Research Firm/Institutution:

Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc.

Project Details:

Phase I

Project Justification:

Phase I Phase III This Phase I intensive archeological survey report was prepared to evaluate the effects of the construction of a new housing development near Brandywine in Prince George's County, Maryland. Plans for the "Villages of Savannah" residential development called for the construction of up to 357 single-family residences across a 588 acre property. The need to acquire both federal and county permits was anticipated by the developer. Thus, the investigation was designed to address the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. as amended, as well as Sections 24-121 and 24-135.01 of the Prince George's County Subdivision Regulation concerning the identification and consideration of significant cultural resources during the project planning stage for new subdivisions.

MAC Accession: 2007.046.002

Project Objectives:

-Identify the potential for historic properties and archaeological resources within the vicinity of the proposed Villages of Savannah residential development.

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR833.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2007 Kreisa, P.P. and J.M. McDowell

Phase II NRHP Evaluation of Site 18PR833 within the Villages of Savannah Development,

Prince George's County, Maryland. Submitted to the Mid-Atlantic Companies

Library ID No: 97003094 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 464

Sites examined:

18PR833

NRHP Eligible: N Justification

Project Details:

Phase I

X Phase II

Phase III

Project Justification:

This report summarizes the findings from a Phase II evaluation carried out at a site previously identified during a Phase I survey for the Villages of Savannah housing development. Plans for the Villages of Savannah residential development called for the construction of up to 357 single-family residences across a 588 acre property. The need to acquire both federal and county permits was anticipated by the developer. Thus, the investigation was designed to address the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, as well as Sections 24-121 and 24-135.01 of the Prince George's County Subdivision Regulation concerning the identification and consideration of significant cultural resources during the project planning stage for new subdivisions.

Research Firm/Institutution: Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc.

6110 Frost Place Laurel, MD 20707

Project Objectives:

Identify all archeological remains within the site.

-Evaluate the site using NRHP criteria.

MAC Accession: 2007.046.002

Research Potential:

See below for remaining research questions at 18PR833.

REPORT INFORMATION:

2007

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Phase III Archaeological Data Recovery of Site 18PR833 at the Villages of Savannah

Development in Prince George's County, Maryland.

Submitted to the Mid-Atlantic Companies

Library ID No: 95000938 Catalog/Shelving ID: PR 532

Sites examined:

18PR833

NRHP Eligible: N

Justification

Research Firm/Institutution:

Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc. 6110 Frost Place Laurel, MD 20707

Project Details:

Phase I

Phase II

Phase III



Project Justification:

This report summarizes the findings from a Phase III data recovery project carried out at a site (18PR833) previously lidentified during a Phase I survey for the Villages of Savannah housing development, and subsequently investigated at the Phase II level. The Phase II excavations conducted at 18PR833 indicated that the site contains intact, sub-plowzone features dating to the 18th century that are possibly associated with a residential and farm complex. Plans for the Villages of Savannah residential development called for the construction of up to 357 single-family residences across a 588 acre property. Since an apparently intact site had already been identified, Phase III work was recommended to mitigate impacts to the site as a prerequisite to receipt of required federal and county permits. The investigation was designed to address the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, as well as Sections 24-121 and 24-135.01 of the Prince George's County Subdivision Regulation concerning the identification and consideration of significant cultural resources during the project planning stage for new subdivisions.

MAC Accession: 2007.046.002

Project Objectives:

-Determine site function, activity areas, and layout (and any similarities to other 18th century sites in the region).

-If outbuilding are present, determine their function.

Determine the architectural methods evident at the site by examining any structural remains present.

-Compare the architectural patterns at the site to regional patterns.

-Assess whether the archeological and/or historical data indicates an evolving economic or social status for the site's inhabitants.

-Determine if the artifact pattern reflects a site that is related to a tenant, overseer, or slave occupation and, if so, compare to regional planter sites.

-Assess any indications of consumer preference.

-Examine the recovered collection for any evidence of trade networks.

-Determine if foodway patterns are similar to other 18th century sites in the Chesapeake Bay region.

Research Potential:

Site 18PR833 is most likely the remains of Francis Marbury's later plantation house and its supporting structures. It is a significant archeological resource. The current status of the site is unknown. Data recovery has, obviously, been conducted, but the housing complex planned for the site area may have been placed on hold due to the severe economic downturn of 2008. Regardless, much of the site's archeological potential should have already been realized during the data recovery excavations in 2007.